

PRIORITY PROJECTS FOR UPLAND GAME HABITAT RESTRICTED FUNDS (2/21/06)

ALL UPLAND SPECIES:

- Studies that have good potential to contribute to increased (hunnable) populations
- Habitat projects that have good potential to contribute to increased (hunnable) populations on public lands, or private lands with assured access (& where the birds are in the hunting season).
- Hunting access on or thru private lands
- Conservation easements, etc., that will protect leks, brood rearing habitat, etc.
- Statewide Guzzler Installation / Maintenance crew

CHUKAR

- Upland Guzzlers placed in brood rearing habitat.
- Transplants of wild and pen-raised birds to unpublished locations to build new populations
- Funding to retain birds for spring releases in proven survivable areas to build populations in the wild.

FOREST GROUSE:

- Forb & berry plantings in areas of water developments & protection
- Spring and surrounding area protection
- Aspen Rejuvenation

HUNGARIAN PARTRIDGE

- None known to be warranted, cost effective, or feasible

PHEASANTS

- Study – How to increase populations in areas of modern farming.
- Food plots / habitat projects on WMAs
- Winter feeding

PTARMIGAN

- None known to be warranted, cost effective, or feasible

RABBITS (OTHER THAN PYGMY RABBITS)

- Sagebrush Steppe rehab projects will benefit rabbits
- None specifically targeted for rabbits known to be warranted, cost effective, or feasible

SAGE GROUSE

- Big Game Sagebrush Steppe / Watershed rehab projects will benefit
- Conservation easements to protect lek sites
- Reseedings following Burns

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

- Conservation easements to protect lek sites
- Shelter Belts
- Reseedings following Burns

TURKEYS

- Transplants